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# Watershed Volunteer Program

## Make a Difference!

The Watershed Volunteer Program *(WVP)* is an effort to engage residents in an array of active management projects to improve watershed conditions. The program promotes stewardship through learning opportunities, restoration projects, and monitoring activities. Volunteers who complete seven modules across the three categories become Certified Watershed Stewards.

WVP partners with a number of different cities and organizations, and has assisted with projects throughout the Greater Cleveland area. The ultimate goal of the program is to have volunteers share and use their knowledge in their own communities to improve watersheds throughout our region. We have participants from watersheds throughout Cuyahoga County and beyond including Big Creek, Chagrin River, Chippewa Creek, Doan Brook, Euclid Creek, Mill Creek, Rocky River, Tinker's Creek, and West Creek.

## Some Topics and Activities include:

- Dynamic stream systems
- Stream Restoration
- Native seed collection and cleaning
- Wetland and streamside planting
- Invasive plant identification and removal techniques
- How to maintain and monitor rain gardens
- Stream bank engineering with plants
- Stream bank erosion assessment
- Water quality sampling
- Macroinvertebrate monitoring

## For additional information,

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